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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE — December 2023

Lavar Burton

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi UNS Club members,

We had a great meeting last month. I want to thank Casey for the Coin Quiz and the News & Views. Thanks to Larry Kimura for the Refreshments.

Thanks to Glen Beckstead for his talk on Collecting. He collects a lot of different items, as well as coins.

This month is our Christmas dinner. Hope you all come to enjoy good food, each other's company and some real nice coins at the drawing. Daren Lee has some nice items in the drawing. hope you all go home winners.

I have enjoyed being your President this past year. Thank you for your support. I have had a good Board to work with me. Coin collecting is fun and I have enjoyed the friendship with you, the members of this Club.

LaVar Burton President

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Meeting , December 12, 2023, 6PM

Meeting location is:

Columbus Center - 2530 South 500 East —Salt Lake City

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CAC and CMQ.
Realized: $38,400
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Gem Proof 1829
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Realized $96,000
PCGS Price Guide: $25,000

One of Finest 1884
Gold Dollars. MS-67 PL (NGC).
CAC and CMQ-X.
Realized $13,200
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Collectors Universe value: $10,000.
CAC CPG $10,800

1799 Capped Bust
Right Half Eagle.
MS-62 (PCGS).
CAC and CMQ.
Realized $66,000
PCGS Price Guide: $60,000
CAC CPG: $61,900

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1814/3 Capped Head
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MS-63 (PCGS). CAC and CMQ.
Realized $78,000
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PCGS Price Guide: $50,000
CAC CPG: $54,000

1823 Capped Head
Left Half Eagle
MS-62 (PCGS). CAC and CMQ.
Realized $55,200
PCGS Price Guide: $50,000
CAC CPG: $50,400

Branch Mint Proof 1907-D
Liberty Head Double Eagle.
Branch Mint Proof-62 (PCGS).
CMQ-X.
Realized $432,000
PCGS Price Guide: $375,000
CAC CPG: $186,000

Proof 1855 Kellogg & Co $50.
Proof-63 Cameo (PCGS).
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Rodie Cagle submitted the above photo about a full pallet of 25 Monster Boxes of U.S. Silver Eagles which was available on EBay.

The next time your in the market for 12,500 ounces of silver and have an extra $400,000 or so available make sure you check EBay.

The Utah Coin Shows Website is now up and displays current and upcoming Utah coin shows

Utahcoinshows.com#

SLABS & CERTIFICATION

Douglas Nyholm

Over the past several years and even very recently there have been a number of significant changes to the certification of coins. I will try to briefly here explain some of the significant changes that collectors should be aware of if you purchase or certify rare coins.

First is the Certified Acceptance Corporation or commonly known simple as CAC which has now entered the slabbing market and is beginning encapsulating coins into their own plastic containers. Before we delve into their actual slabs I will begin with the familiar Gold and Green CAC stickers applied to many existing slabs from PCGS and NGC. According to the information I can find, CAC does not sticker coins in ANACS or other slabs.

There are two colors of CAC stickers, Green and Gold. The Green sticker indicates that the slabbed grade is in line with the CAC graders and is accepted as an accurate representation of the assigned grade. The Gold sticker, on the other hand, indicates that in the opinion of the CAC graders that the coin is undergraded and should or could easily attain a higher grade if resubmitted. These gold stickers are fairly uncommon and for one main reason is that they are usually broken out and resubmitted in the hopes of being assigned a higher grade.

Moving on now to the new CAC slabs which as of this writing are just beginning to appear on the market. Shown below is one such slab and of note is the Green CAC logo, not a sticker, located on the label encased inside the slab.

I have read that as of today the CAC stickers are still active and they are still applying their stickers to both NGC and PCGS slabs but they have reported that they will be phased out in the future. Whether this is a good idea for both CAC and the hobby only the future will tell but I have heard mixed reactions.

The next major change to certification comes from NGC who has developed what they call NGCX or a change from the 70 point Sheldon grading scale to a 10 point grading scale. Numismatics has ever since numerical grading was instituted adopted the Sheldon 70 point system, while other more modern collectables such as comics and baseball or sports cards used a 10 point system. Presently the only coins considered for the NGCX grading program are modern coins minted from 1982 to present and vintage Morgan and Peace type silver dollars.

Their reason for this new 10 point system is to make a system familiar with those collectors who already collect sports cards and comics to possibly, or hopefully, move into numismatics with a system for grading that they are already familiar with. NGC states that there is no difference between a NGCX coin graded as 10 with an old Sheldon system coin graded as a 70. Further they state that a 9.9 grade would be equal to a MS69. I find that attempting to make a 100% linear comparison such as the above example which comparing a 10 point scale to a 70 point scale cannot be completely compatible. Maybe this is why only modern coins usually in some state of uncirculated or mint state are currently being graded. However for Morgans or Peace dollars

this may be a bit more difficult. Also, as many coins are occasionally cracked out and resubmitted there could be challenges with this too.

Shown here for compairison are both NGCX and NGC 70 point certification slabs.

NGC states that NGCX coins do not appear in their current population census reports but they will be developing a separate pop report for NGCX coins.

A possible gap if CAC discontinues their Green and Gold stickering program is that Stacks/Bowers Galleries has partenered with PGCS founder David Hall to launch what is being called “Collectible Market Qualified” or CMQ offering. This is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2023. Several coins in the recently completed Stacks/Bowers Rarities Night were stickered with CMQ=X designations. Similar to the CAC stickers a PCGS or presumably NGC slabs will potentially have a new sticker applied which will signify their standard for quality, eye appeal, and grade. Such stickered coins should be more acceptable to collectors for sight un-seen trading by following their strict guidelines.

CMQ will offer two levels of stickers. The standard CMQ and a CMQ-X which will be assigned to a small percentage of coins which as they state "Will make you shake your head in wonderment."

The other major third party certification company, ANACS, has no plans at the moment to change their grading format or standards

As a final note. CAC and now Stack Bowers are not the only companies to apply stickers to certified coins. If any of you channel surf you will most untroubledly come across the sale of PSS stickered coins from the Cable Shopping Network. They generally sell Silver Eagles and 2021/2023 Morgan and Peace dollars with their Premium Select Series sticker.

Additionally over the years there have been a number of different stickers on certified coins from various companies. Some hold signifance others do not. Buyer beware.

Over the years their has probably been close to 50 different companies which have certified and/or encapsulated rare coins. Some have absolutely absurd grading standards, others simply use commercially available Coin World holders and insert their sticker. Some of these obscure companies may still be in operation and their slabs are occasionally seen, however in recent years I suspect that many have ceased operation and these odd slabs are much less common in the marketplace today.

One of my favorites is from Compu-Grade that encapsulated an 1885-O Morgan Dollar with an assigned grade of MS 62.8 as shown below! Darn, I was hoping to get a 62.9.

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NAC MS68FB
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1864 Five Dollar
PR65 Deep Cameo PCGS CAC
Ex: Simpson

1860 Five Dollar
Judd-271
PR64+ Deep Cameo PCGS. CAC
Ex: Trompeter-Simpson

1868 Ten Dollar
Judd-661
PR66 Cameo PCGS
Ex: Wilkison-Simpson

1872 Amazonian Quarter
Judd-1197
PR66 Cameo PCGS
Ex: Simpson

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DATE - DECEMBER 12th (TUESDAY)

TIME - 6:00 P.M.

COST - ADULTS $15 / CHILDREN UNDER 10 $10

CATERING BY BRYCE - CHICKEN CORDON BLEU

SALAD & POTATOES

UNS - WATER SUPPLIED

DESERT - JAN NYHOLM

CENTERPIECES - LARRY NIELSEN

PRIZES - TO BE LISTED IN THE DECEMBER MINTMASTER

If you have not indicated that you will be attending by the receipt of this newsletter please contact Tom Davis no later than December 8th so that we may have an accurate count for the caterer.

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UNS Christmas Prize Drawings

1	ATB Quarter S-Mint set
2	1914 S Barber Dime
3	1964 Kennedy Half Proof w/Accented Hair
4	1935 D $1 FR 1613W*
5	1925 Peace Dollar
6	1979 Susan B Anthony set
7	1913 P Barber Dime
8	1964 P 25C Type B Rev
9	1971 Silver Eisenhower Dollar
10	Civil War Token
11	1963 P 25C Type B Rev
12	1953 BU Franklin Half Dollar
13	1942 S Walker Half Dollar DDO FS101
14	St. Petersburg Medal bronze
15	1964 D Kennedy Half FS501 RPM
16	Ancient Rome Denarius
17	Antique Coin Bank
18	1980 Susan B Anthony set
19	Dansco Lincoln Cent Album w/1959-2010
20	1912 German Singers Festival Medal
21	1943 S 25C G6 DDO FS101
22	2014 coin & currency set
23	2023 Silver Eagle
24	2019 Proof Set
25	Tintic, UT Elks Lodge Silver Round
26	1964 Kennedy Half Proof w/Accented Hair
27	1963/1964 Proof quarters
28	1912 D Barber Dime
29	ATB Quarter S-Mint set
30	1/10 oz gold round
31	1964 D Kennedy Half FS501 RPM
32	1967 Canadian Mint Set
33	1953C $2 US Note
34	1992 Columbus Commem Half NGC
35	1960 P 25C Type B Rev
36	2005 Silver Eagle ICG MS70
37	1964 P 25C Type B Rev
38	1957A $1 FR 1620* X 2 sequential
39	1982 Washington Commem Half NGC
40	ATB Quarter S-Mint set
41	Silver Bar w/gem
42	Ancient Rome Denarius
43	1922 Peace Dollar
44	1942 P Walker Half Dollar
45	1963/1964 Proof quarters
46	1972 Silver Eisenhower Dollar
47	Sterling Silver Medallic Art
48	2019 Proof Set
49	1964 P 25C Type B Rev
50	Silver Bar w/gem
51	1990 Eisenhower Commem Dollar
52	1934 F $10 Federal Reserve Note
53	1963/1964 Proof quarters
54	1936 D DDO Walker Half Dollar
55	1963 BU Franklin Half Dollar
56	1967 Canada Specimen Set
57	1961 Franklin Half Dollar BU
58	1934 C $5 Silver Certificate
59	Arnold Boecklin Bronze Medal
60	5 oz ATB Silver Bullion Coin
61	1964 Kennedy Half Proof w/Accented Hair
62	1953C $2 US Note
63	1941 S Walker Half Dollar
64	2023 Silver Eagle
65	1953C $2 US Note
66	1922 Peace Dollar
67	Ancient Rome Denarius
68	1921 Morgan Dollar NGC
69	Ancient Rome Denarius
70	2023 Silver Eagle
71	1922 Peace Dollar
72	1934 S Walker Half Dollar
73	Stone Ball
74	1971 Silver Proof Eisenhower Dollar
75	ATB Quarter S-Mint set
76	Silver Bar w/gem
77	Ancient Rome Denarius
78	1953 BU Franklin Half Dollar
79	2023 Silver Eagle
80	US Mint Pres. Jackson Silver Medal
81	1984 Olympic Commem Dollar
82	Silver Bar w/gem
83	Niue Lion silver $2
84	1953 BU Franklin Half Dollar
85	1848 Coronet Large Cent
86	1999 Colorized Silver Eagle
87	50th Anniv Kennedy Half set
88	Peace Dollar Pocket Piece
89	Niue Lion silver $2
90	5 oz ATB Silver Bullion Coin
91	1979 Susan B Anthony set
92	1930 Crane Co Medal
93	1964 Kennedy Half Proof w/Accented Hair
94	1964 D Kennedy Half FS503 RPM
95	Reverse Proof Buffalo Silver round
96	1953C $2 US Note
97	1921 Morgan Dollar NGC
98	1991 Mt Rushmore Commem Half NGC
99	Ancient Rome Denarius
100	Bostwana Commem Sterling Silver Round
101	1934 A $5 Silver Certificate
102	1953C $2 FR 1512*
103	1921 Morgan Dollar NGC
104	2023 Silver Eagle
105	1964 D Kennedy Half FS503 RPM
106	1964 P 25C Type B Rev
107	1915 Pan-Pac Expo Medal
108	Reverse Proof Buffalo Silver round
109	1963/1964 Proof quarters
110	1993 Jefferson Coin & Currency Set
111	1964 P 25C Type B Rev
112	1953 BU Franklin Half Dollar
113	2013 Silver Eagle ANACS
114	ATB Quarter S-Mint set
115	1914 D Barber Dime
116	1963/1964 Proof quarters
117	1906 O Barber Dime
118	Ancient Rome Denarius
119	Silver Bar w/gem
120	1998 US $5 Gold Eagle

Additional Prizes:
(5) UNS Club 2-Medal Sets
(2) UNS Club Silver Medals
???BONUS/MYSTERY PRIZE???

Note:
Any prices that may appear on items may not necessarily represent actual value or amounts paid and value is not guaranteed
Mint marks, varieties, errors, etc are not noted on above list

CLARK, GRUBER & COMPANY

Doug Nyholm

The firm Clark, Gruber & Co. was originally established in Leavenworth Kansas. The firm later moved operations to Denver shortly after the first word of the discovery of gold in Colorado in 1857.

Emanuel Henry Gruber and Minton Edward Clark and his brother formed their banking partinership in 1858, moved to Denver and began buying gold dust and nuggets from local miners. Originally they were shipping this gold to the mint in Philadelphia which was not only expensive but dangerous.

In December of 1859 Milton Clark went to New York to obtain minting equipment and hopefully also acquire dies in order to strike gold coins. Eventually he returned with the equipment and dies which it is unclear as to who the die sinkers name was.

The first striking of coins began in late summer and fall of 1860 with the $10 “Mountain” type coins being the first produced. There are estimates that between 300 and 1,000 of these $10 were initially struck but soon thereafter the design was rejected. Dies had also been created for a $20 “Mountain” type gold coin of which an unknown number were struck. Apparently very few $20’s were struck as it is a major rarity today with only about 15-20 examples known.

This “Mountain” design was meant to depict the 14,000 foot Pikes peak but it is actually quite an absurd looking mountain. This was probably one of if not the main reason the design was soon rejected. One of the rumors about this design was that the die sinker, who lived on the east coast near New York had

probably never seen a mountain with a height of even 5,000 feet, He evidently used his imagination to come up with an idea of just how a 14,000 high peak may appear. His adaptation has been called everything from a volcano, a pyramid to a pile of dog s*#%. None the less presently it is a coin and design that modern collectors cherish and covet with even the more common $10 coins selling for tens of thousands of dollars while the $20 can easily reach the high 6-figure amounts.

During my research I discovered that the Denver City Assay Office also began striking patterns for a proposed gold coin early in 1860 and several of their base metal patterns had an almost similar depection of Pikes Peak. It is known that the creator of this pattern actually resided in Denver. It is shown alongside the Pikes Peak "Mountain" coin below for comparison

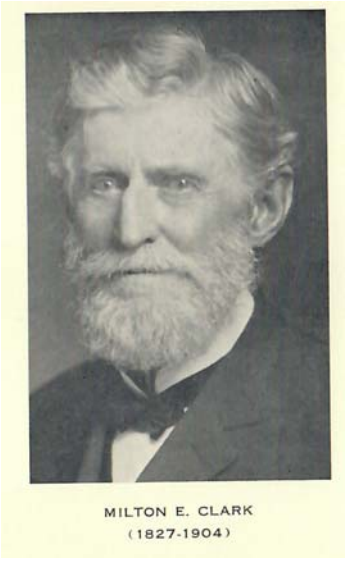
The 1860 “Mountain” issues were inscribed on the obverse (this side with the image of Pikes Peak) was inscribed with the motto “Pikes Peak Gold,” the denominations of Twenty D. or Ten’s D. and the word Denver. In similar fashion the $2 1/2 and $5 coins depicting the head of Liberty were inscribed in the diadem on Liberty’s head with CLARK & CO. while the reverse stated the value with PIKES PEAK GOLD DENVER around the perimeter.

For 1861 the designs were slightly modified for all four denominations. The diadem on Liberty’s head was changed to show PIKES PEAK, and the inscription around the eagle now read CLARK GRUBER & CO DENVER.

Clark & Gruber coins were widely accepted during their time of issue and many remained in circulation for almost 40 years. Today all are very scarce to quite rare. The following table shows the approximant survival of Clark & Gruber's coins according to Kagin.

1860 $2 1/2	100 Known
1860 $5	150-180 Known
1860 $10 Mountain	100-150 Known
1860 $20 Mountain	20 Known
1861 $2 1/2	100-150 Known
1861 $5	55-80 Known
1861 $10	200 Known
1861 $20	25 Known

Clark and Gruber coins were actually intrinsically worth more than their counterparts from the U.S. mint. The fineness was 828 1/2 and the weight of their $10 coin was 23 grains heavier than a U.S. Eagle. They had an excess amount of silver of 1%, which was added in 1861 to harden the metal and make the coins wear better. If you deduct the cost of minting of 1/2% and factor in the 1% silver the coin was then worth 1/2% more than its U.S. counterpart. This is a prime reason that they were so readily accepted and used in daily commerce. Additionally this variance was so slight as to make them undesirable for speculators to melt and re-coin or sell the metal as the cost for doing so would exceed any profit.



MILTON E. CLARK
(1827-1904)

E. H. GRUBER
(1833—DATE UNDETERMINED)

SPECIAL COINS

The following four coins were exceptional rarities recently sold as Stacks Bowers "Rarities Night" auction held on November 14th. Coins such as these are seldom seen for sale outside major auctions and are truly caviar for collectors.

1853-O No Arrows/Rays PCGS Fine-12

One of four known

$228,000

1907– D $20 Proof PCGS Proof-62 CMQ-X

Unique

$432,000

1855 Kellog $50 PCGS Proof-63 Cameo

Unique

$780,000

Clark & Gruber “Mountain” $20 PCGS AU-55 CMQ-X

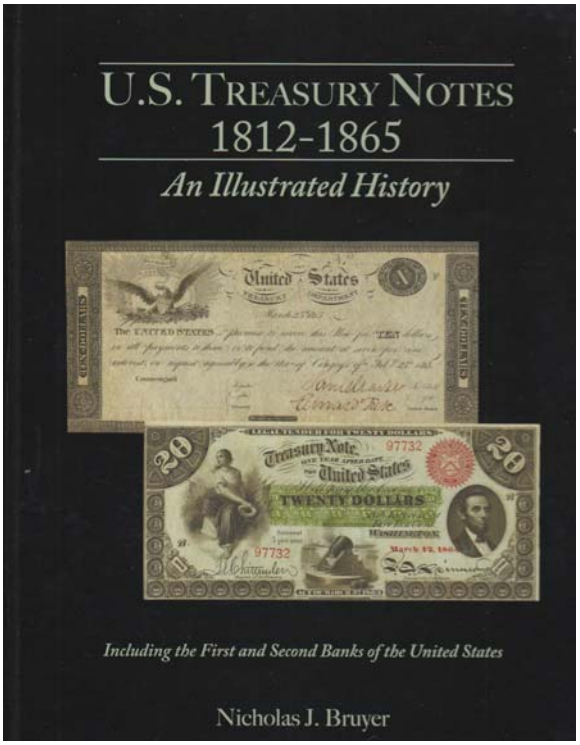
15-20 Knon

$552,000

BOOK REVIEW

U.S. Treasury Notes 1812-1865 An Illustrated History

Nicholas J. Bruyer

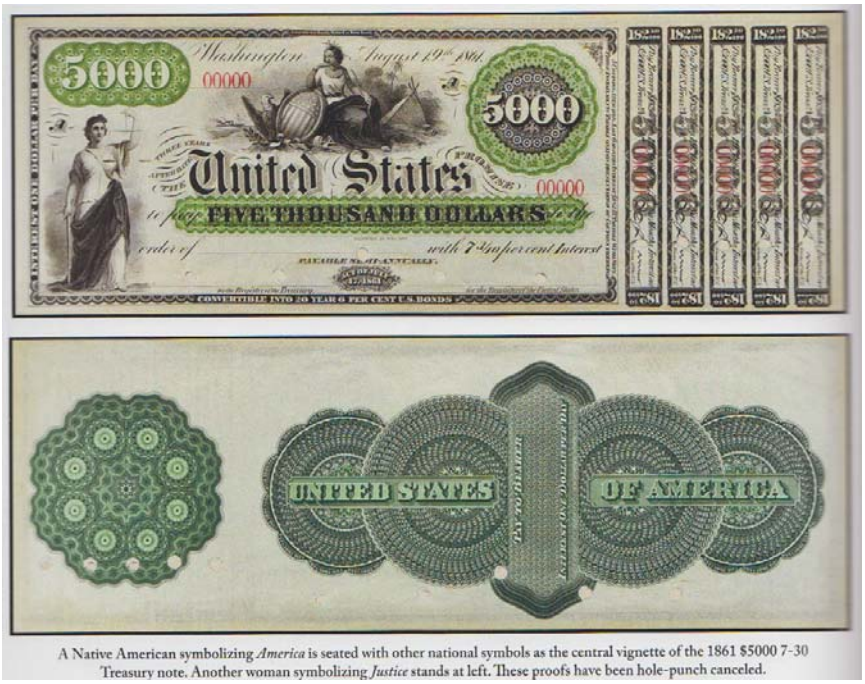

U.S. TREASURY NOTES
1812-1865
An Illustrated History
Including the First and Second Banks of the United States
Nicholas J. Bruyer

Thi new book published by Stacks Bowers Galleries covers United States Treasury Notes from 1812-1865. The book begins with information regarding both the First and Second Bank of the United States with much of the banking history from the late 1700's leading up to the development and printing of notes in 1812. Also covered is the charter of the Second Bank of the U.S. on April 10, 1816. The book continues with banking history thru the panic of 1837, the Mexican War of 1844, and the panic of 1857 leading up to the secession of states and the Civil War.

There is enough history regarding the early banking in the United States that this book could be a college course. Also included is a virtual photo essay of almost every early note issued by Federal banking organizations. Included are many unique proofs making this photo essay a source for many images not easily found elsewhere.

The book is hard cover in standard 8 1/2 x 11 format printed on high quality glossy paper. It consists of 272 pages and s a masterfully assembled work on the subject. This book made a welcome addition to my library.

The list price is $59.95 and is available from Stacks Bowers and other book sources.



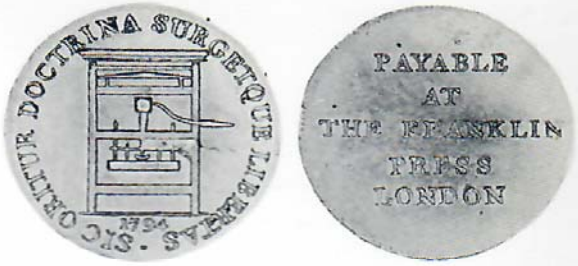
A Native American symbolizing *America* is seated with other national symbols as the central vignette of the 1861 $5000 7-30 Treasury note. Another woman symbolizing *Justice* stands at left. These proofs have been hole-punch canceled.

This month's quiz is taken from the July-August 1963 Issue #18 of Bowers "Empire Review"

UNITED STATES COIN QUIZ

Listed below are questions of general interest in American numismatics. Score yourself as follows: 3 or 4 correct, Fair; 5 or 6 correct, Good; 7 or 8 correct, Excellent; 9 or 10 correct, "Expert." Answers are given at the end.

1. First director of the United States Mint in Philadelphia was:
   A. Augustus Humbert.
   B. Nelson Wiggen.
   C. David Rittenhouse.
   D. John Reich.



2. The colonial Franklin Press token is:
   A. A store card issued in Philadelphia.
   B. A tradesmen's token issued in England.
   C. A coin of colonial New Jersey.
   D. A pattern issue for U. S. coinage.
3. The word "LIBERTY" is incuse or depressed on most Liberty seated silver coins. On which one of the following denominations is it in relief?
   A. Dime.
   B. Twenty cent piece.
   C. Quarter.
   D. Half dollar.
4. To the best of present knowledge 1804 U. S. silver dollars were first struck at the U. S. mint during:
   A. 1804.
   B. The 1830's.
   C. The 1860's.
   D. The first part of the twentieth century.
5. The 1860 Indian cent differs from the 1859 cent in that the 1860:
   A. Has a shield at the top of an oak wreath on the reverse.
   B. Is struck on a thinner planchet of different metallic composition.
   C. Has the feathers in the headdress arranged differently.
   D. Lacks the designer's initial, L.
6. All but one of the following denominations of Hawaiian coins were minted in 1883. Which one was minted in 1847?
   A. Cent.
   B. Dime.
   C. Quarter.
   D. Dollar.
7. A 1922 Philadelphia mint set would contain how many coins?
   A. 1.
   B. 2.
   C. 4.
   D. 6.
8. One of the most interesting large cents is the 1795 Jefferson Head variety. It is presumed to be:
   A. A United States Mint pattern.
   B. A counterfeit.
   C. A private pattern for a mint coinage contract.
   D. An English gaming token.
9. A series famous for its many overdates is:
   A. Indian cents.
   B. Half cents.
   C. Liberty seated quarters.
   D. Bust type half dollars.
10. The two cent pieces of 1864:
    A. Introduced the motto "IN GOD WE TRUST" to the public for the first time.
    B. Were minted in small quantities, compared to other dates in the series.
    C. Were not legal tender in the U. S. after 1887.
    D. Commonly occur with many large die breaks.

Answers:
1-C, 2-B, 3-B, 4-B, 5-A, 6-A, 7-B
8-C, 9-D, 10-A.

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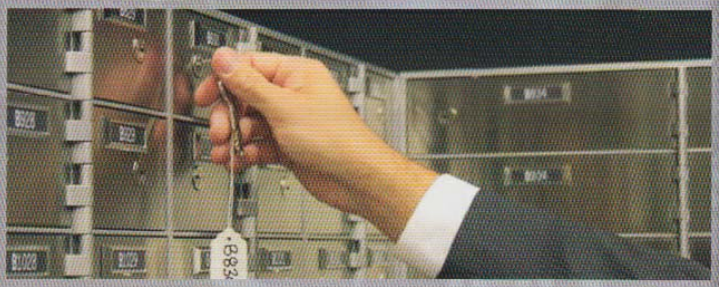

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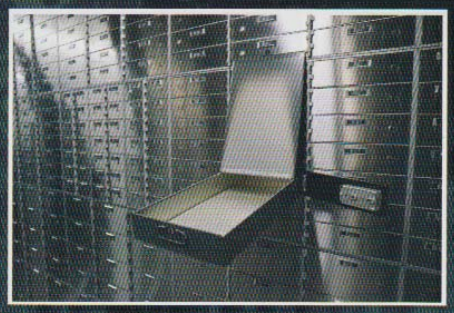

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INFORMATION OVERLOAD

I have written about this subject before, there has never been as much numismatic information for collectors as there is today. There is obviously a multitude of new books and written information being released almost daily. When checking my mailbox daily there is usually something such as a magazine, advertisement, or book that I have ordered. I once spoke to a fellow collector who said the same thing and that he was disappointed when checking his mail and there was not something of numismatic interest. After all, you can only ogle and look at your collection so much and most cannot afford to purchase a new item daily, but one can at least read or drool over the many items available daily.

Next is the internet which for some contains 100% of all the information you will ever need??? NOT!!! Relying on the internet can be disastrous, first, regarding numismatics there is a lot of information that just cannot be found on the internet. Secondly, all of what you find is not always accurate. Surprised?? For example last months article about the Heber J. Grant Primary Childrens paperweight. I found some things on the internet but specifically concerning the paperweight there was almost nothing. And where the information regarding the original donation cost there was information that it was $100, or $300, or $1,000. Thanks to last months speaker Glen Beckstead, he in his contacts and searches came across a personal letter addressed to Heber J. Grant stating that the donation was to be $100.

Even so-called highly regarded numismatic experts such a noted individuals Eric Newman, Walter Breen, John J. Fod and others have made errors or mistakes. Some were seemingly simple errors or lack of information at the time while possibly others appear to possibly be a deception.

Essentially we need to source multiple different references in order to sift out what is hopefully correct information. This is even more true today when it comes to general news stories. ABC, CBS, NBC, and even FOX and the BBC all at times report on the news differently. Numismatics is no different. Also what is known to be true today may indeed one day prove to be false with new information coming to light.

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